

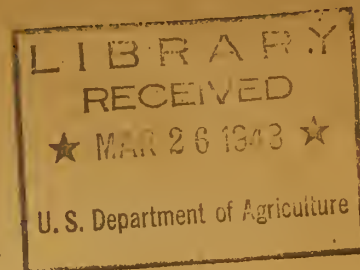
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DIGEST OF DIRECTIONS GOVERNING THE DISTRI-  
BUTION AND SALE OF FARM MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT.

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The following identifies farm machinery and equipment included in rationing orders issued by the Department of Agriculture to govern the distribution and sale of new farm machinery and equipment.

The groups presented herein are merely for the purpose of explanation in this statement and these groups are not comparable to those of farm machinery and equipment shown in Limitation Orders of the War Production Board or any schedules named in orders or memoranda of the Department of Agriculture concerning the rationing of farm machinery. Neither the sale nor purchase for farm use of any items named in these listings are restricted by priority regulations of the War Production Board.

Named under Groups I through VI are the farm machinery and equipment which are now rationed through County Farm Rationing Committees and State War Boards. Purchase certificates are required for sales for farm use.

Items named in Group VII are not rationed to consumers at this time. No purchase certificates are required for sales of machinery listed in Group VII.

Farm machinery and equipment not named in one of these groups, at the present time are neither rationed nor restricted as to transfer or sale by orders of the Department of Agriculture.

Repairs and attachments (whether or not to machines named in the following groups) are not rationed or restricted as to transfer or sale.

GROUP I

The distribution and the sale of farm machinery and equipment named in Group I (below) are governed as follows:

Any item named in this group which, as of October 31, 1942, was in the stocks of manufacturers' branchhouses, transfer warehouses, transfer agents' warehouses, or which were on consignment with dealers, educational institutions, or were in the hands of distributors, wholesalers, jobbers, mail order houses, or dealers, may be transferred within the trade without restriction (except that manufacturers and distributors must pro-rate on the basis of 1941 distribution). Each Group I item will be tagged by the man-

ufacturer and addressed to the county for which it is destined. A sale for use requires a purchase certificate issued by the County Farm Rationing Committee of the county marked upon the tag for sale to a user.

Any item in this group which, as of October 31, 1942, was in the stocks of manufacturers' branchhouses, transfer warehouses, transfer agents' warehouses, or which were on consignment with dealers, educational institutions, or were in the hands of distributors, wholesalers, jobbers, mail order houses, or dealers, may be transferred within the trade without restriction (except that manufacturers and distributors must pro-rate on the basis of 1941 distribution). However, a retail sale requires a purchase certificate. (See: Supplementary Order 2 to Food Production Order 3\*.)

Each Group I item in manufacturers' factory or plant stocks and produced under L-170 will be tagged and directed to the appropriate county. A sale for use requires a purchase certificate. (See: Paragraph C of Supplementary Order 3 to Food Production Order 3\*.)

State quotas have been established by the Department of Agriculture and county quotas by State USDA War Boards, for items named in Group I. Provision has been made (Supplementary Order 3 to Rationing Order C), for transfer and sale to users of each item of Group I machinery and equipment in manufacturers' factory stocks and that manufactured under L-170 as rapidly as distribution plans are received by manufacturers from the United States Department of Agriculture.

After a County Farm Rationing Committee receives its quota for a machine named in Group I, the committee may not issue purchase certificates in excess of its quota--even though the number of machines in dealers' hands in the county exceeds the quota which has been established. A County Farm Rationing Committee, however, may appeal to the State USDA War Board for an increased county quota. Within the limits of a State quota, a State USDA War Board has the authority to grant increases in county quotas on machinery or equipment in dealers' hands in order to obtain an equitable distribution between counties.

\* Formerly Rationing Order C.



GROUP I ITEMS  
PLANTING, SEEDING, AND FERTILIZING MACHINERY  
(Also see: Group VII)

Planters, horse and tractor drawn:  
Two row, corn planters.  
Two row, corn and cotton planters.  
Three row and over, corn planters.

Planters, tractor mounted:  
One row, corn planters.  
One row, corn and cotton planters.  
Two row, corn planters.  
Two row, corn and cotton planters.  
Three row and over, corn planters.  
Three row and over, corn and cotton planters.

Potato Planters, horse or tractor drawn.

Transplanters, horse or tractor drawn.

Listers with planting attachments,  
horse or tractor drawn:

Two row.  
Three row and over.

Listers with planting attachments,  
tractor mounted:

One row.  
Two row.

Three row and over

Beet drills, horse or tractor drawn.

Grain drills:

One horse, 3 or 5 disc drills.

Fertilizer drills, horse or  
tractor drawn.

Plain drills, horse or tractor drawn.

Lime spreaders (sowers):

Wheeled type, horse or tractor  
drawn.

Endgate type.

Truck body type.

Manure spreaders:

Four wheeled, horse or tractor  
drawn.

Two wheeled, tractor drawn.

PLOWS AND LISTERS

Molboard plows, tractor drawn or mounted:

One bottom, tractor drawn.  
Two bottom, tractor drawn.  
Three bottom, tractor drawn.  
Four bottom, tractor drawn.  
One bottom, tractor mounted.  
Two bottom, tractor mounted.

Disc plows, tractor drawn or mounted:

One disc, tractor drawn.  
Two disc, tractor drawn.  
Three disc, tractor drawn.  
One disc, tractor mounted.  
Two disc, tractor mounted.

One way disc plows or tillers.

Listers, horse or tractor drawn.

(Middlebusters without planting  
attachment):

Two row, horse or tractor drawn.

Three row and larger, horse or  
tractor drawn.

Listers, tractor mounted (Middle-  
busters without planting attachments):

One row, tractor mounted.

Two row, tractor mounted.

Three row and larger, tractor  
mounted.

## HARROWS, ROLLERS, PULVERIZERS

### Harrows:

- Spike tooth harrow sections, horse or tractor drawn.
- Spring tooth harrow sections, horse or tractor drawn.
- Disc harrows, horse or tractor drawn.
- Disc harrows, tractor mounted.
- Soil pulverizers and packers.

## CULTIVATORS AND WEEDERS

(Also see: Group VII)

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|---------------------------------------|--|
| Cultivators, horse and tractor drawn: | Rotary hoes, horse or tractor drawn,   |
| Beet cultivator.                      | Weeders:                               |
| Field cultivator.                     | Rod weeders, horse or tractor drawn.   |
| Cultivators, tractor mounted:         | Tooth weeders, horse or tractor drawn. |
| One row.                              |  |
| Two row.                              |  |
| Three and four row.                   |  |
| Five row and over.                    |  |

## SPRAYERS, DUSTERS, AND ORCHARD HEATERS

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|---------------------|------------------------------------|
| Power sprayers.     | Dusters:                           |
| Traction sprayers.  | Power dusters with tractor mounted |
| Spray pumps, power. | dusters.                           |
|                     | Traction dusters.                  |

## HARVESTING MACHINERY

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|---|---------------------------------------|
| Combines, harvester-threshers:                                | Corn Pickers:                         |
| Width of cut, 6 feet and under.                               | One row, mounted type.                |
| Width of cut, over 6 feet; up to and including 10 feet.       | Two row, mounted type.                |
| Width of cut, over 10 feet.                                   | One row, pull type.                   |
| Grain and rice binders:                                       | Two row, pull type.                   |
| Grain binders, ground drive.                                  | Field ensilage harvesters, row type.  |
| Grain binders, power take-off drive.                          | Potato diggers:                       |
| Rice binders.   | Walking plow type.                    |
| Corn binders (row binder), horse or tractor drawn.            | Horse or tractor,                     |
|   | Pea and bean harvesters, row type,    |
|   | Horse or tractor.                     |
|   | Beet lifters, horse or tractor.       |
|   |                                       |
|   | HAYING MACHINERY                      |
| Mowers ground, drive, horse or tractor drawn                  | Hay loaders                           |
| Mowers, power take-off drive, tractor mounted or semi-mounted | Stackers (incl. comb. sweep stackers) |
|   | Pick-up hay balers                    |
| Rakes:  |                                       |
| Sulky, dump.  |                                       |
| Side delivery, incl. comb. side rakes & tedders.              |                                       |
| Sweep.  |                                       |

MACHINES FOR PREPARING CROPS FOR MARKET OR USE  
(Also see: Group II)

Stationary threshers (grain, rice and alfalfa):

Threshers, width of cylinder under 28 inches.

Threshers, width of cylinder 28 inches and over.

Stationary pea and bean threshers.

Ensilage cutters (silo fillers).

Feed cutters, power.

Corn Shellers:

Power corn shellers, cylinder (150 bu. and under).

Power corn shellers, cylinder (over 150 bu.).

Corn huskers and shredders:

Combination corn husker-shredders.

Corn huskers.

Corn Shredders.

Stationary hay balers:

Engine or belt power.

Feed grinders and crushers:

Power, burr type.

Hammer and roughage mills.

Cleaners and graders, corn and grain.

Potato sorters and graders.

FARM ELEVATORS AND BLOWERS

Elevators (portable).

Elevators (stationary).

Blowers (grain and forage).

TRACTORS

Tractors, wheel type:

Tractors, wheel, special purpose, under 30 h. p.

Tractors, wheel, special purpose, 30 and over h. p.

Tractors, wheel, all purpose, under 30 h. p.

Tractors, wheel, all purpose, 30 and over h. p.

Garden tractors (including motor tillers).

ENGINES

Engines, one or more but under 5 h. p.:

Air cooled.

Water cooled.

Engines (five or more but under 10 H.P.):

Air cooled.

Water cooled.

FARM WAGONS AND TRUCKS

Wagons, farm without boxes.

Trucks, farm (not motor trucks).

DAIRY FARM MACHINES AND EQUIPMENT  
(Also see: Group III and IV)

Milking Machines

Farm cream separators, capacity, 250 lbs. per hour or less.

Farm cream separators, capacity, 251 lbs. to 800 lbs. per hour.

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## GROUP II

The distribution and sale of farm machinery and equipment named in Group II (below) are governed as follows:

Any item named in Group II manufactured before or under War Production Board Order L-26, and 60 percent of the manufacturer's authorized quota under War Production Board Order L-170 may be transferred to other manufacturers, distributors, mail order houses or dealers for resale, without restriction; and may be sold for farm use to any person who presents a "purchase certificate" issued by County Farm Rationing Committees. The remaining 40 percent produced under L-170 is "frozen" in the possession of manufacturers, and may be transferred for storage only within the county where it is located--unless a release is authorized by the Director, Food Production Administration, Department of Agriculture, following presentation to him of the complete facts concerning the special need for the transfer of a specific item. (See: Supplementary Order 1 to Food Production Order 3\*.)

The Department of Agriculture makes no other restrictions governing the distribution of the items in Group II. No State or county quotas have been established for items in Group II.

### MACHINES FOR PREPARING CROPS FOR MARKET OR USE (Also see: Group I)

Stationary hay balers, horse.

### DOMESTIC WATER SYSTEMS

Deep well:

Deep well, reciprocal.

Deep well, jet pumps.

Shallow well:

250-499 gallons per hour.

500 gallons per hour and over.

Power Pumps:

Horizontal type, up to and including 75 gallons per minute.

100 lb. pressure.

### FARM PUMPS AND WINDMILLS

Windmill pumps.

Windmill heads.

Windmill towers.

Pump jacks.

### IRRIGATION EQUIPMENT (Also see: Group VI)

Hydraulic rams.

Distribution equipment.

Land leveling equipment, ditchers corrugators and scrapers

(excluding power ditchers, draglines and other self-powered machines).

Portable pipes and extensions, sprinklers.



### GROUP III -- METAL MILK CANS AND COVERS

METAL MILK CANS AND COVERS: All new metal milk cans and covers manufactured before the effective date of War Production Board Order M-200, and 70 percent of the manufacturers authorized production under M-200 may be sold to other manufacturers, distributors, mail order houses, or dealers, for resale, without a "purchase certificate"; and may be sold to users who present a "purchase certificate" issued by County Farm Rationing Committees (or by State USDA War Boards to users operating in more than one county). The remaining 30 percent authorized by M-200 is "frozen" until released by the Director, Food Production Administration, Department of Agriculture, following presentation to him of the facts concerning the special need for the transfer of a specific item.

Each manufacturer must distribute metal milk cans and covers in accordance with the distribution pattern which he followed in 1941. (See: section 2.213 of Food Production Order 3\* and paragraph B, Supplementary Order 1 to Food Production Order 3\*.)

Metal milk can covers are sold separately and are not rationed.

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### GROUP IV -- FARM FENCING

FENCING: The fencing items named in Group IV may be sold to other manufacturers, distributors, mail order houses, or dealers, for resale, without a "purchase certificate"; and may be sold for farm use to any person who presents a "purchase certificate" issued by County Rationing Committees. The Department of Agriculture makes no restrictions on the distribution of these items, but the distribution is governed by War Production Board Order M-21-b. (See: Supplementary Order 3 to Food Production Order 3\*.)

Barbed wire  
Poultry netting  
Poultry flooring  
Woven or welded wire fence:  
Hog and cattle fence  
Poultry fence.

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### GROUP V -- FARM MILK COOLERS

FARM MILK COOLEPS: All farm milk coolers manufactured before or in compliance with War Production Board Order L-26 and 80 percent of the manufacturers' authorized quota under L-170, may be sold to other manufacturers, distributors, mail order houses, or dealers, for resale without a "purchase certificate"; and may be sold to users who present a "purchase certificate" issued by County Farm Rationing Committees. The remaining 20 percent authorized by L-170 is "frozen" until released by the Director, Food Production Administration, Department of Agriculture. (See: Supplementary Order 3 to Food Production Order 3\*.)

Farm milk coolers  
Immersion type  
Surface or tubular type.

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GROUP VI

IRRIGATION PUMPS: All irrigation pumps manufactured under either War Production Board Order L-26 or in compliance with L-170, may be sold to other manufacturers, distributors, mail order houses, or dealers, for resale without a "purchase certificate"; and may be sold to users who present a "purchase certificate" issued by County Farm Rationing Committees. The distribution is not directed by the Department of Agriculture. (See: Supplementary Order 3 to Food Production Order 3\*.)

Irrigation Pumps

Turbine pumps, 0 to 1,200 GPM

Turbine pumps, 1,200 GPM and up, belt driven

Centrifugal pumps.

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GROUP VII

The items named in Group VII (below) are not rationed to consumers at this time. However, factory stocks of manufacturers are frozen, pending distribution directions. All other stocks in the hands of manufacturers, distributors, mail order houses, and dealers, may be sold without restriction, except that manufacturers and distributors must prorate their distribution on the basis of their 1941 sales. Although each item will be tagged for a county, no purchase certificate is required for sale to a user. (See: Supplementary Order 2 and 3, and Amendment 1 to Food Production Order 3\*.)

PLANTING, SEEDING, AND FERTILIZING MACHINERY

(Also see: Group I)

Garden Planters; Horse or tractor drawn

CULTIVATORS AND WEEDERS

(Also see: Group I)

Cultivators, horse drawn:

One row, riding, two horse

Two row and over, riding.

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Supplies of rationing application form (MR-20) may be obtained from the County Farm Rationing Committee. Farmers and dealers will also find these committees helpful in answering inquiries concerning the rationing program.

Transfers and sales of farm machinery and equipment for non-farm use are not controlled by the Department of Agriculture. Persons desiring farm machinery for non-farm use should apply to the War Production Board for a priority.

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\* Formerly Rationing Order C.